

# [altrans Los Angeles/Ontario International Airport

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Los Angeles (LA)/Ontario International Airport (ONT) is situated about 35 miles east of downtown LA in San Bernardino County. Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA), a proprietary department within the City of LA, owns ONT as well as Los Angeles International (LAX) and Van Nuys airports. ONT transports the third highest air cargo tonnage in the state, behind LAX and Oakland International airports.

# **OPERATIONS**

Ontario International handles many types of domestic and international cargo during its 24-hour/7-day a week operation. Promoting cargo operations at ONT is consistent with LAWA's goal to provide additional air cargo capacity in the region to accommodate demand that cannot be met by LAX. Although exempt from curfews, noise management procedures are in effect.

# **FACILITIES AND SERVICES**

- A former Lockheed aircraft hangar was repurposed into an air cargo operations facility, now accommodating tenants with office space, utilities, a truck loading dock, and roll up doors.
- A wide network of freight forwarders serves ONT.
- Customs services are available on-site.
- Major freight-only carriers that serve ONT include United Parcel Service (UPS), Federal Express (FedEx), Ameriflight, West Air, and Empire Airways.
- Freight services are also available in the form of passenger aircraft belly cargo from the following carriers: Alaska, Delta, Southwest, United/United Express, and US Airways.



# **AIRPORT TRADE CHARACTERISTICS**

- UPS handles more than 70 percent of the airport's cargo. ONT is UPS' West Coast international hub and gateway with China, as well as a link to its global hub in Louisville, Kentucky.
- In 2013, UPS and FedEx together processed over
   97 percent of ONT air freight.
- Over 13 percent of ONT air cargo was international.
- Having two runways over 10,000 feet long, ONT has the potential to become a future premiere international cargo gateway.

# SURFACE TRANSPORTATION NETWORK TRUCKING

**Primary North-South Routes** 

■ I-15, I-215, and SR 83

**Primary East-West Routes** 

■ I-10 and SR 60

From ONT, nearby connections with both north/south and east/west transcontinental routes exist. Nearly all ONT air freight is transported to and from the airport by commercial vehicles.

#### SEAPORTS AND RAIL LINE ACCESS

- ONT is located about 50 miles from the adjacent Los Angeles and Long Beach Harbors (Ports of San Pedro Bay), which handled 7.9 and 6.7 million twenty-foot equivalent units (TEU), respectively in 2013. Together, these ports are the sixth busiest container "port" in the world.
- Union Pacific (UP) and BNSF Railway, Class I rail service providers, are part of the ONT freight movement system.

# **PLANNED PROJECTS**

- Taxiway, taxi lane, runway safety area, and apron rehabilitation projects are planned over the next few years.
- Several highway projects along nearby Interstates 10, 15, and 210 were identified as needed within the 2011 California Transportation Commission (CTC) needs assessment.

#### OTHER AIRPORT FACTS

- In 2013, Airports Council International (ACI) ranked ONT as the 15<sup>th</sup> largest North American cargo airport with over 460,500 tons transported.
- UPS transported 310,854 tons of air freight in 2013 at ONT.

# **CONSTRAINTS AND ISSUES**

- As one of ten airports statewide determined to have noise concerns, noise management procedures exist at ONT for mitigation purposes.
- Heavy traffic throughout the Los Angeles area delays freight transportation.

# **CALTRANS FOCUS AREAS**

- Implement ways to alleviate highway bottlenecks along truck routes.
- Improve pavement conditions due to truck damage.

# TRANSPORTATION PLANNING PARTNERS

San Bernardino Associated Governments (SANBAG), <a href="http://www.sanbag.ca.gov/planning2/studies\_goods">http://www.sanbag.ca.gov/planning2/studies\_goods</a> mvmt strategy.html

South Coast Air Quality Management District (AQMD), <a href="http://www.aqmd.gov/">http://www.aqmd.gov/</a>

Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG), http://www.scag.ca.gov/rtp2008/index.htm

# **RESOURCES**

Air Cargo Mode Choice and Demand Study (2010), prepared for Caltrans by TranSystems:

<a href="http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/tpp/offices/ogm/key\_rep">http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/tpp/offices/ogm/key\_rep</a>

orts\_files/Air\_Cargo\_Mode\_Choice\_&\_Demand\_Stud

y\_080210.pdf

Air Cargo World: <a href="http://www.aircargoworld.com">http://www.aircargoworld.com</a>

Goods Movement Action Plan (Phase I, 2005 and Phase II, 2007), California Air Resource Board and Business, Transportation and Housing (Agency): <a href="http://www.arb.ca.gov/gmp/docs/gmap-1-11-07.pdf">http://www.arb.ca.gov/gmp/docs/gmap-1-11-07.pdf</a>

Los Angeles/Ontario International Airport: <a href="http://www.lawa.org/welcomeONT.aspx">http://www.lawa.org/welcomeONT.aspx</a>

Multi-County Goods Movement Action Plan (2008), prepared for Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority, et al by Wilbur Smith Associates: <a href="http://www.metro.net/projects/mcgmap">http://www.metro.net/projects/mcgmap</a>

Southern California Regional Freight Study, Federal Highway Administration:

http://www.ops.fhwa.dot.gov/freight/freight\_analysi
s/reg ind studies/so cal study.htm